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In re Patent Application of

M. SHIRAI et al

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Group Art Unit: 2828

Filed: August 31, 2001

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For: MODULE FOR OPTICAL COMMUNICATIONS

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2003,
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

No additional fee is required.

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